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Sophomore Sulakshana Seevaraman, a native of Sri Lanka, heard about the tsunami, which occurred on Dec. 26, 2004, directly from her brother who is lives and works in the region.

Seevaraman lost two relatives in the south east Asian disaster and she subsequently established a fund in conjunction with the James Farmer Multicultural Center to support relief efforts.

However, Seevaraman is not the only student on campus working to fundraise for tsunami victims; other organizations at the University of Mary Washington are joining forces to fundraise as well.

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## Campus Residents Must Smoke Outside

By ERIN ROURKE  
Staff Writer

Students living in the University of Mary Washington residence halls this year have no choice but to smoke outside.

Except for the basement floor of Marshall Hall, all residence halls have been deemed non-smoking by either Residence Life or student voting, sending the one-third of UMW students who smoke outside.

The declaration of most halls as non-smoking is nothing to be surprised at, said assistant director of residence life, Mecca Marsh.

"In the past, maybe 10 years ago, it probably was more common for halls to be designated smoking, but not now," Marsh said.

That trend directly corresponds with a nationwide decline in smoking. According to the American Lung Association, 22.5 percent of adults smoked in 2002, down from 33.2 percent in 1980.

However, according to the UMW Wellness Committee, approximately 35.2 percent of students smoke.

This statistic is much higher than estimates made by the University of

Michigan's Institute for Social Research. According to the organization's Web-site, a survey of national college students in 2003 revealed 22.5 percent smoked cigarettes within the past 30 days and 13.8 smoked daily.

Kolby Quass, the Resident Assistant of the basement floor of Marshall Hall for fall semester, said allowing smoking on his floor did not cause any problems.

"Most of my guys don't actually smoke in their room since they do not like the smell in their room," Quass said. "They are respectful of other people and for the most part smoke outside, which is very close to our hall anyway."

Marsh said, although it seems risky to allow self-determination, there is little danger in students sensitive to cigarette smoke living with smokers.

On the Mary Washington housing application, students indicate their smoking preference, and matching up those with the same preference is a priority for Residence Life.

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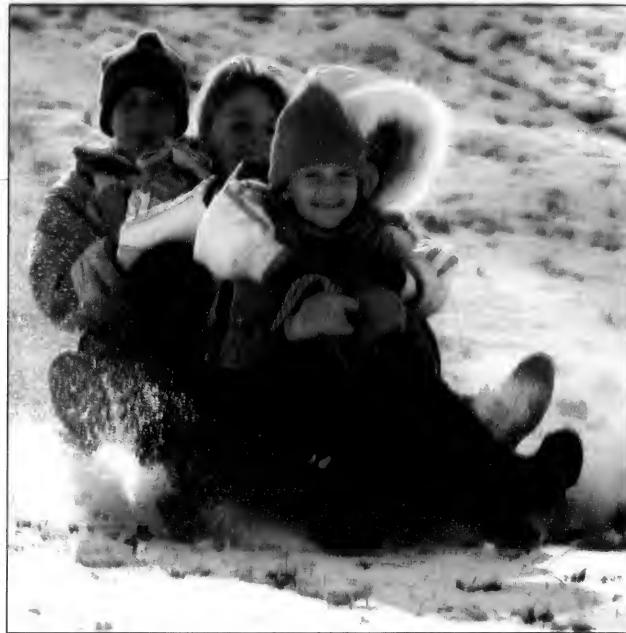


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George Mason, Longwood, and Old Dominion require all smokers to stand at least 20 feet away from buildings.

According to the Student Handbook, all first-year buildings at Mary Washington are non-smoking, as well as specific upperclass buildings and floors. Overall, 11 entire buildings and four individual floors are non-smoking as designated by Residence Life.

This leaves three entire buildings and ten floors with no specific designation. There, residents decide for themselves whether the buildings will be smoking or non-smoking.

The student handbook states that in voting for self-determination policies such as smoking in the dorms, 66 percent of building or floor residents must vote (depending on what area is being voted on) and the majority vote establishes the policy.

The UMW apartments work differently. Instead of allowing individual apartments to decide, the 10 buildings alternate between smoking and non-smoking, said Erin Merrill, Resident Director in charge of the Apartments.

"In the apartments, because of the ventilation system and because of the way it circulates, if one apartment smokes, the rest of the building is going to be affected," said Merrill.

However, Merrill, a Mary Washington alumna, said few problems arise from the smoking policy.

"The majority of the problems don't come from people smoking in the building, it's from them smoking outside the building, especially in the front," said Merrill.

To deal with that problem, residents of halls can also determine if porches and other areas that affect non-smokers should be non-smoking. For example, Randolph Hall has banned smoking on the porch, requiring smokers to stay 50 feet away from the building.

"We had problems with people smoking on the front porch and it blowing into the apartment window right there," said Chelsea Cartwright, a sophomore resident of Randolph Hall.

The UMW apartments also banned smoking on their porches and balconies.

"Last year, they were toying with the issue [of smoking on the balconies], they weren't really sure how it was going to work, and the beginning of first semester they were doing landscaping and there was hay all around the building," Merrill said. "It was actually move-in day; someone was smoking, put out their cigarette, and started a fire. So ever since then, there's no smoking on the balconies."

Despite the trend towards non-smoking dorms on the Mary Washington campus, students agree that students should still have the right to determine whether their buildings will be smoke-free.

"I would think self determination would be the way to go," said sophomore Jeff Green, a former resident of New Hall who recently transferred to VCU. "I don't have a problem with [making all buildings smoke free], but it should probably up to students because [smoking] is legal for anyone 18 and up."



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Staff Writer

Mona Albertine, Rector of the Board of Visitors.

The campus still maintains the three brick signs bearing the "Mary Washington College" name on the corners of U.S. Rt. 1 and College Avenue, College Avenue and William Street, and the corner of William Street and Sunken Road. The painted smokestack on College Avenue and the bronze plaques on entrances along College Avenue and Sunken Road also carry the school's original name.

According to John Wiltensmuth, associate vice president for facility services there are no current plans to incorporate the University's name into the brick signs or to repaint the smokestack.

According to Board of Visitors meeting minutes from July to November 2004, there has been no discussion of any future changes regarding the three brick Mary Washington College signs, banner, smokestack or bronze plaques.

Some students, like sophomore Samantha Cowan, would prefer that the school left the brick signs as they are, displaying the school's original name.

Other students are less concerned with whether or not the signs are rebuilt and more concerned with the banner's presence.

"It looks tacky and cheap," said sophomore DeeDee Weeks.

Dr. Denis Nissim-Sabat, UMW faculty representative on the Board of Visitors, said, "I think the faculty has expressed their feelings and believe that the brickwork and all other plaques should be left as is."

## Swim Meet Smoked Out By Fire Scare

By KEVIN BUTLER  
Staff Writer

Goolrick Friction between a belt and the machine caused the smoke, leading to the evacuation.

Matthew Kinney, coach of the swim team, was accurate in saying that the incident did not smell like a fire. "The smoke came out, and the detectors went off. That's about it."

Lovelace said the incident was just a simple mechanical malfunction that set off the smoke detectors. "[T]here was no fire. We had a belt burn up on a motor, similar to your fan belt on your car, it produced some smoke and set off the smoke detectors in the building. Nothing more than that."

The delay, however, did not affect the swimmers who won the meet.

"Two fire department guys showed up, and I don't think the wait affected us too much," Lovelace said. "I looked at it like it was giving us more rest," Greene said.

Lovelace said there were neither signs of deliberate harm done to the machine and no one was injured.

## CORRECTIONS

—In the Jan. 20, 2005 edition of *The Bullet*, Terry Luttrell's name was spelled incorrectly in the article "BOV Hikes President Anderson's Salary."

—In the same edition, Carissa Culbreath was identified as a sophomore in the Sports Section's "Athlete of the Week". Culbreath is a junior.

# Viewpoints

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## Editorial Priorities?

Many of the departments at the University of Mary Washington are adding a new faculty member to their staff.

This will mean more classes will be available. Hopefully.

While it's commendable that the University is finally coughing up the money to hire new teachers, one can't help but wonder: Why wasn't this done a long time ago? While the University—or College, at the time—was basking in the glow of name-change P.R., didn't we need new teachers?

While the institution was making plans and spending money on the indoor tennis center, alumni center and new gym, didn't we need new full-time faculty?

The new faculty should have come a long time ago.

If you spend a dollar on something, you give up something else. Any student who has taken an introductory economics or business class knows that this is called opportunity cost.

The institution incurred an opportunity cost when it chose to spend \$100,000 on changing the name. The institution incurred an opportunity cost when it recently raised President Anderson's salary to \$278,791.

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Prioritizing goals is good. It's also something that the university clearly does not know how to do.

At an institution of higher learning, the students are supposed to come first. Will a bell tower or University status lure in prospective students? Maybe. But shouldn't students who are already attending and already paying their money come first?

We think so.

What's going on in George Washington Hall?

It's disheartening to subscribe to the belief that this institution cares more about its image than about its students.

Registration was a disaster this semester. Ask political science or psychology students.

The new faculty coming are going to be a welcome addition to the University, but the addition is too little, and more importantly, too late.

Maybe the administration could direct the generous alumni to donate their money to the betterment of academia, rather than facilities that look pretty but are really quite irrelevant.

At any rate, it's time for the administration to get with it, cough up the money, and get some more teachers.

After all, we're a university now.



Police in riot gear line the streets of Capitol Hill for the 55th Presidential Inauguration, held Jan. 20, 2005.

## Protesting Four More Years

By KATIE MOLINARO  
*Staff Writer*

As George Walker Bush took the presidential oath for a second time, my boyfriend Patrick Waldo and I stood in the snow on Capitol Hill handcuffed and guarded by three police officers.

Nearby, our homemade signs lay on the ground. Once just two innocent pieces of poster board, our anti-Bush messages had made them hated and had led us to the brink of jail time.

In all truth though, the path to our first experience with handcuffs started before we created the signs.

It started when Bush invaded Iraq, when he lied about WMDs, when he threatened to outlaw abortion and amend the Constitution to forbid gay marriage.

But more directly, our flirtation with the law began when we arrived in Washington, D.C. that morning, and a man gave us tickets to enter the green gate and observe the inauguration ceremony from the northwest lawn of the U.S. Capitol.

We waited in a huge crowd to get through the gate, overhearing Republicans around us who had spotted our signs complain that protesters were taking the spots of people who really wanted to be there and that protesters shouldn't try to ruin such a day.

A few people though, did acknowledge our first amendment right, but we still wished we could find some true allies.

We passed through the security checkpoint, where my purse was searched and even my hat patted down, but no mention was made of our signs.

None of the police officers that checked our green tickets said anything about our signs either, and finally we were on the lawn.

Our time on the lawn ended quickly, however. During the opening prayer of the ceremony Patrick held up his sign. On one side it read "Four More Years" and on the other

said "Better Dead than Red." A few people told him to put it down as a man in front of Patrick held up his arms in a fruitless attempt to block the message. When Patrick wouldn't put it down, more people joined in the cry until a man lunged from behind Patrick, ripping a piece out of the sign.

As Patrick stared down the sign destroyer, two police officers raced through the crowd. Patrick was relieved, thinking they were going

letter outburst was completely appropriate, however, for the woman who stuck her foot out and tripped me as I was led out of the crowd. Classy move.

Once off to the side we were handcuffed, frisked, Patrick was made to empty his pockets and our IDs had to be run to check for outstanding warrants. We were both told that we would be arrested, and all I could do was hope that my future employers would be Democrats.

Our charges ranged all over. My expletive qualified as disorderly conduct since I was in a crowd that included women and children. Also, according to the now three officers that made sure we didn't make a run for it, demonstrating is prohibited on Capitol Hill and signs weren't allowed at all.

One of the officers also explained that he was helping us by getting us out of a crowd in which we were the minority.

He did not explain, however, what aid the handcuffs lent.

As we waited for the officers to write down our information, people just getting through the gates applauded the police for having us in handcuffs while other people took our picture.

After 15 minutes and some awkward small talk with the female officer, the police took off our handcuffs and escorted us out of the gates.

Our signs paid the ultimate price, as we had to abandon them in exchange for freedom.

And as for the man who ripped Patrick's sign to start the whole ordeal? Nothing came to him except perhaps the satisfaction of quieting two Bush critics.

His refusal to tolerate differing opinions, though, is a frightening look at our country's continued division and gives little hope for a brighter four years.

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The author protesting Thursday's Presidential Inauguration.

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Since the official name change on July 1, 2004, the University of Mary Washington has displayed its new university status on a blue banner above the brick "Mary Washington College" sign on the corner of William Street and College Avenue.

According to Richard Hurley, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of UMW, the Board of Visitors, who requested the banner's presence last summer, will decide within the next two years whether the banner will stay or not.

"At that point we will see if they will want to continue to display the banner or if some more permanent structure would be appropriate," Hurley said.

The existing banner features the University's new graphic logo of four classical columns and the institution's new name. The consulting firm Barton, Matheson Wilkes, & Worthington, designed the new logo, as well as the new seal.

"The banner is temporary and I assume will remain until we have decided on a more permanent sign that will incorporate the University of Mary Washington with the Mary Washington College campus," said

Mona Albertine, Rector of the Board of Visitors.

The campus still maintains the three brick signs bearing the "Mary Washington College" name on the corners of U.S. Rt. 1 and College Avenue, College Avenue and William Street, and the corner of William Street and Sunken Road. The painted smokestack on College Avenue and the bronze plaques on entrances along College Avenue and Sunken Road also carry the school's original name.

According to John Wiltshire, associate vice president for facility services there are no current plans to incorporate the University's name into the brick signs or to repaint the smokestack.

According to Board of Visitors meeting minutes from July to November 2004, there has been no discussion of any future changes regarding the three brick Mary Washington College signs, banner, smokestack or bronze plaques.

Some students, like sophomore Samantha Cowan, would prefer that the school left the brick signs as they are, displaying the school's original name.

Other students are less concerned with whether or not the signs are rebuilt and more concerned with the banner's presence.

"It looks tacky and cheap," said sophomore DeeDee Weeks.

Dr. Denis Nissim-Sabat, UMW faculty representative on the Board of Visitors, said, "I think the faculty has expressed their feelings and believe that the brickwork and all other plaques should be left as is."

## Swim Meet Smoked Out By Fire Scare

By KEVIN BUTLER  
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Goolrick. Friction between a belt and the machine caused the smoke, leading to the evacuation.

Matthew Kinney, coach of the swim team, was accurate in saying that the incident did not seem like a fire. "The smoke came out, and the detectors went off. That's about it."

Lovelace said the incident was just a simple mechanical malfunction that set off the smoke detectors.

"[T]here was no fire. We had a belt burn up on a motor, similar to your fan belt on your car, it produced some smoke and set off the smoke detectors in the building. Nothing more than that."

The delay, however, did not affect the swimmers who won the meet.

"Two fire department guys showed up, and I don't think the wait affected us too much, I looked at it like it was giving us more rest," Lovelace said.

Lovelace said there were neither signs of deliberate harm done to the machine and no one was injured.

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This will mean more classes will be available. Hopefully.

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The new faculty should have come a long time ago.

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At an institution of higher learning, the students are supposed to come first. Will a bell tower or University status lure in prospective students? Maybe. But shouldn't students who are already attending and already paying their money come first?

We think so.

What's going on in George Washington Hall?

It's disheartening to subscribe to the belief that this institution cares more about its image than about its students.

Registration was a disaster this semester. Ask political science or psychology students.

The new faculty coming are going to be a welcome addition to the University, but the addition is too little, and more importantly, too late.

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At any rate, it's time for the administration to get with it, cough up the money, and get some more teachers.

After all, we're a university now.



Police in riot gear line the streets of Capitol Hill for the 55th Presidential Inauguration, held Jan. 20, 2005.

## Protesting Four More Years

By KATIE MOLINARO  
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As George Walker Bush took the presidential oath for a second time, my boyfriend Patrick Waldo and I stood in the snow on Capitol Hill handcuffed and guarded by three police officers.

Nearby, our homemade signs lay on the ground. Once just two innocent pieces of poster board, our anti-Bush messages had made them hated and had led us to the brink of jail time.

In all truth though, the path to our first experience with handcuffs started before we created the signs.

It started when Bush invaded Iraq, when he lied about WMDs, when he threatened to outlaw abortion and amend the Constitution to forbid gay marriage.

But more directly, our flirtation with the law began when we arrived in Washington, D.C. that morning, and a man gave us tickets to enter the green gate and observe the inauguration ceremony from the northwest lawn of the U.S. Capitol.

We waited in a huge crowd to get through the gate, overhearing Republicans around us who had spotted our signs complain that protesters were taking the spots of people who really wanted to be there and that protesters shouldn't try to ruin such a day.

A few people though, did acknowledge our first amendment right, but we still wished we could find some true allies.

We passed through the security checkpoint, where my purse was searched and even my hat patted down, but no mention was made of our signs.

None of the police officers that checked our green tickets said anything about our signs either, and finally we were on the lawn.

Our time on the lawn ended quickly, however. During the opening prayer of the ceremony Patrick held up his sign. On one side it read "Four Moron Years" and on the other

said "Better Dead than Red." A few people told him to put it down as a man in front of Patrick held up his arms in a fruitless attempt to block the message. When Patrick wouldn't put it down, more people joined in the cry until a man lunged from behind Patrick, ripping a piece out of the sign.

As Patrick stared down the sign destroyer, two police officers raced through the crowd. Patrick was relieved, thinking they were going

letter outburst was completely appropriate, however, for the woman who stuck her foot out and tripped me as I was led out of the crowd. Classy move.

Once off to the side we were handcuffed, frisked, Patrick was made to empty his pockets and our IDs had to be run to check for outstanding warrants. We were both told that we would be arrested, and all I could do was hope that my future employers would be Democrats.

Our charges ranged all over. My expletive qualified as disorderly conduct since I was in a crowd that included women and children. Also, according to the now three officers that made sure we didn't make a run for it, demonstrating is prohibited on Capitol Hill and signs weren't allowed at all.

One of the officers also explained that he was helping us by getting us out of a crowd in which we were the minority.

He did not explain, however, what aid the handcuffs lent.

As we waited for the officers to write down our information, people just getting through the gates applauded the police for having us in handcuffs while other people took our picture.

After 15 minutes and some awkward small talk with the female officer, the police took off our handcuffs and escorted us out of the gates.

Our signs paid the ultimate price, as we had to abandon them in exchange for our freedom.

And as for the man who ripped Patrick's sign to start the whole ordeal? Nothing came to him except perhaps the satisfaction of quieting two Bush critics.

His refusal to tolerate differing opinions, though, is a frightening look at our country's continued division and gives little hope for a brighter four years.

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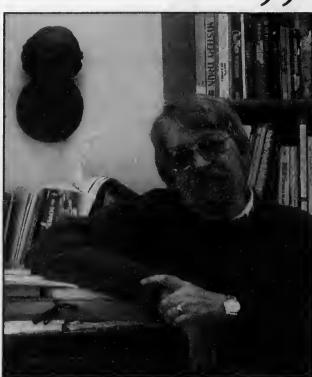


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"I think it's good that we have students, faculty and professors involved because it shows that there's diverse interest in this issue," said Perilla.

The most recent event the committee has helped plan was the Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Day held on Jan. 17.

Twenty-two high school seniors from around the area came to experience college life.

The students attended an admissions information session, a tour of the campus and learned about the history of the University of Mary Washington.

The highlight for many students was the mock class professors held. Professors Claudia Emerson, Jeffrey Edmunds, Claudine Ferrell and Tim Waltonen all held classroom sessions for the students.

"The students just loved the classroom experience, especially Tim Waltonen's," said Thompson. "We even had people calling to ask what the book was that he

was teaching from."

The day also included a student panel and guest speaker Wade Henderson, executive director of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights.

The committee plans on having three to four meetings, in the form of roundtable discussions, during the academic year.

The main issues of concern include ways of recruiting minorities, making them feel part of the University of Mary Washington and bringing awareness of the diversity problem to the community.

Dr. Jeffrey Edmunds, assistant professor of mathematics and member of the committee said, "We are trying to get a better understanding of why we have a lack of diversity."

One of the concerns of both Edmunds and Thompson is the lack of funds for scholarships to the University of Mary Washington.

"We just don't have the money to help students with an aid," Edmunds said. "We had a fantastic student, just brilliant, accepted to the school. We got him [to want to come here], but then we couldn't help him [financially]. I was embarrassed."

According to the Office of Admissions, in 2004, for blacks alone, 58 students chose to go attend another college.

"It's not that we're not accepting minorities," Edmunds said. "They're just going elsewhere."

The committee realizes the problem and has already made some steps toward helping the cause.

Some of the projects include a Counselor Tour and Professional Development workshop, James Farmer's College Day and Martin Luther King Scholars Day.

Senior Milimo Thindwa, student and committee member, sees even more hope for the future.

"As we gain more experience, that's when we'll reap the benefits [of the committee]," Thindwa said. "Right now we're still in the grassroots stage."

Future projects for the ADAC include a newsletter for the faculty and the Cultural Diversity Weekend on April 1st and 2nd.

With the many programs and actions that the committee takes, Thompson has just one goal in mind. "We want students to feel like the family of UMW, not just added diversity."



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## Beloved Professor Retires

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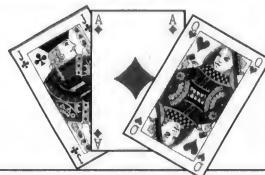
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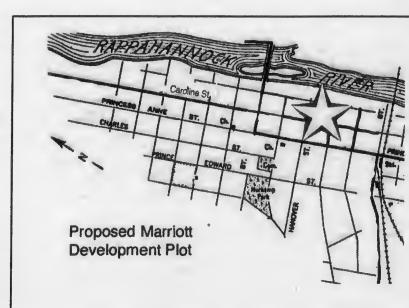
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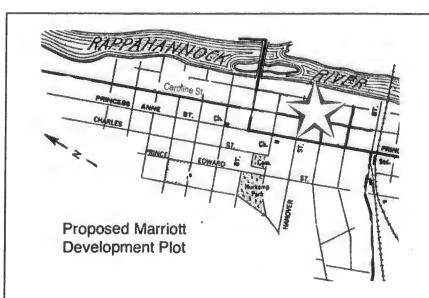
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# Sports



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Head coach Rod Wood gives the crowd a thumbs-up as he walks off the court following his team's 79-78 victory over visiting York College of Pennsylvania. Junior Kevin Moore and sophomores Josh Wilson, Drew DeMartini and Paul Ruhmann celebrate behind him.

## Eagles Top Spartans

*Lee's 37 Points Lead Men To Tie Atop CAC Standings*

By LAUREN BOSTON  
Staff Writer

Move over J.J. Redick. There's a new 3-point sharp shooter in college basketball and his name is Mike Lee. This sophomore may not be the star at a Division I school like Duke University, but Lee has a fan base of his own, and one that is sure to grow after Saturday's game against York College of Pennsylvania.

In the second half of this Capital Athletic Conference matchup, Lee hit four 3-pointers within a five-minute span, each shot more difficult than the next. He hit six 3-pointers in all and finished with a game-high 37 points to lead the Eagles to a nail-biting 79-78 victory over the Spartans.

"I'm glad he's on my team," head coach Rod Wood said of Lee. "Tonight was his best game. He's still learning, but in the last few games I've seen him start really understanding the game."

Lee wasn't the only one that showed growth on Saturday. In what was arguably their best performance of the season, all of the Eagles were prepared from the start.

UMW came out with an energy that far surpassed that of York, collapsing on defense and running to an early 12-point lead. The Eagles were unforgiving in the paint for most of the first half, double teaming post players and denying York any easy shots. Both teams traded 3-pointers, with York shooting 57 percent from behind the arc in the first half and UMW right behind at 50 percent.

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"[Freshman] Jon Pierce got a second foul and we had to keep him on the bench," Wood explained. "[York] climbed back in it."

The second half began with the Eagles leading 43-36, but they were unable to contain York in the paint. UMW had trouble boxing out and as a result York got many easy shots to drop.

Five minutes into the second half, York took the lead for the first time at 45-46. Lee responded by hitting consecutive 3-pointers that brought the Eagles and their fans back into the game. York managed to stay on top, though, and the game came down to the final minutes.

The crowd was on their feet with one minute to go, and the Eagles trailing 78-74. A York foul gave the ball back to UMW and sophomore A.J. Fitzgerald, who ended with 17 points,

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## Hanks Leads Women Past York

By DAVE BUSCHENFELDT  
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Senior Laura Hanks hit a 3-pointer to give the University of Mary Washington women's basketball team an early 3-0 lead in Saturday's game against York College of Pennsylvania. Although she would record only three more points in the game, Hanks was clearly the Eagles' catalyst in a convincing 72-58 victory over the visiting Spartans.

Hanks spent most of the game diving after loose balls, fighting for rebounds, and playing hard-nosed defense. She acknowledged that even though these things do not appear on the stat sheet, they are necessary to win basketball games.

"A lot of times my shot doesn't fall and so you've got to compensate in other ways and get on the floor," Hanks said. "I think that our team had more heart than their team."

Head coach Deena Applebury had only compliments to give when asked about her floor general.

"Laura is a leader," Applebury said. "Some of the things she does don't show up in the box score. She's always the one that will initiate making that extra pass, setting a teammate up, getting the post players the ball,

knowing where to get the ball and when to get the ball there."

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The Eagles got off to a slow start and York used their fast break to beat UMW down the court for easy baskets. With 11:30 remaining in the first half, a layup by senior Ashley Roberson gave the Spartans a 13-11 advantage. The Eagles responded as freshman Jessica Shifflet hit a 3-pointer from the left wing and UMW regained the lead. The Eagles would never trail again in the game.

A steal and fastbreak layup by freshman Amanda Bates put UMW up nine with three minutes to play. A jumper by freshman Lisa Tracy gave the Eagles their largest lead of the half at 31-20 with just more than a minute on the clock. The teams traded baskets before the buzzer and UMW went into halftime leading 33-22.

The Eagles tried to pull away at the beginning of the second half. A layup by junior Lindsey Forbes made the score 39-27 two minutes in. With 11 and a half minutes left in the game, junior Laura Vigliotti drained a 3-pointer that brought the crowd to its feet and gave the

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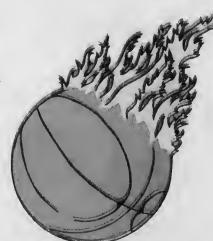
Sophomore Jenn Olinger drives to the hoop against York.

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